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 L5 48440 S L4 OR L3

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 L10 369 S L8 NOT L1  
 L11 71 S L10 NOT P/DT  
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 E DEPOSITION+ALL/CT  
 E ATOMIC LAYER EPITAXY+NT,UF,OLD/CT

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 L17 3 S L15 AND L10

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 L31 543700 S CAPACITORS+NT,UF/CT OR CAPACITOR ELECTRODES+NT,UF/CT OR CAPAC  
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 L33 7 S L31 AND L29 NOT L30

File 2:INSPEC 1969-2004/Apr W2  
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Set	Items	Description
S1	30134	(CAPACITORS) (January 1969)
S2	3517	CI=(RH SS OR RH EL)
S3	8	S1 AND S2

L14 ANSWER 11 OF 48 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
AN 2001:100563 HCAPLUS DN 134:245806  
TI New electrode-barrier structures for high density ferroelectric memories  
AU Vedula, R.; Desu, C. S.; Tirumala, S.; Bhatt, H. D.; Desu, S. B.; Lee, K. B.  
SO Applied Physics A: Materials Science & Processing (2001), 72(1), 13-20  
CODEN: APAMFC; ISSN: 0947-8396  
AB In this paper, two electrode-barrier structures based on Pt-Rh and Pt-Ir alloys and their oxides are proposed for high-d. ferroelec. memory applications. These electrode-barriers are multilayered, comprising a diffusion barrier (PtRhOx or PtIrOx), metal alloy (PtRh or PtIr), and another PtRhOx or PtIrOx layer for fatigue reduction in the case of PZT capacitors. Both lead zirconate titanate (PZT) and strontium bismuth tantalate (SBT) capacitors based on the electrode-barriers were used in the present study. The electrode-barrier structure acts as a conducting electrode as well as an excellent diffusion barrier for lead, bismuth, oxygen and silicon. The PZT test capacitors fabricated on these electrode-barriers showed excellent fatigue resistance with other ferroelec. properties being similar to those on Pt. Also, these electrode-barriers are stable, and remain conductive even up to the processing temps. of SBT (750°C). This makes direct integration of both PZT and SBT capacitors on to a poly-Si plug attainable. In addition, the conducting electrode-barrier structures can be deposited in situ, directly over n+ polycryst. Si, thereby significantly improving the d. of the device.  
CC 76-3 (Electric Phenomena)  
IT **Capacitor electrodes**  
Dielectric hysteresis  
Dielectric polarization  
Diffusion barrier  
Ferroelectric capacitors  
Ferroelectric memory devices  
Ferroelectricity  
Leakage current  
Microstructure  
Reactive sputtering  
Semiconductor memory devices  
Sputtering  
(electrode-barrier structures for high d. ferroelec. memories)  
IT **7782-44-7, Oxygen, processes**  
RL: PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); RCT (Reactant); PROC (Process); RACT (Reactant or reagent)  
(sputtering gas; electrode-barrier structures for high d. ferroelec. memories)  
RN 7782-44-7 HCAPLUS  
CN Oxygen (8CI, 9CI) (CA INDEX NAME)

L17 ANSWER 1 OF 3 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2004:18860 HCAPLUS  
 TI Method of growing electrically conductive thin films for electronics applications  
 IN Kostamo, Juhana; Soininen, Pekka J.; Elers, Kai-Erik; Haukka, Suvi  
 PA Finland

	PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
PI	US 2004005753	A1	20040108	US 2003-394430	20030320
	US 2002004293	A1	20020110	US 2001-858820	20010515
	US 6482740	B2	20021119		
	US 2003096468	A1	20030522	US 2002-300169	20021119
PRAI	FI 2000-1163		20000515		
	US 2001-858820		20010515		
	US 2002-300169		20021119		

AB The invention relates to a method of growing elec. conductive thin films for electronics applications, such that the film has improved step coverage and adhesion properties. A method includes depositing a metal oxide thin film on a substrate by an atomic layer deposition (ALD) process. The method further includes at least partially reducing the metal oxide thin film by exposing the metal oxide thin film to a reducing agent, thereby forming a seed layer. The reducing agent comprises one or more organic compds. that contain at least one functional group selected from a hydroxyl group, an aldehyde group, and a carboxy group.

IC ICM H01L021-8238  
 NCL 438222000  
 IT **Capacitor electrodes**  
 Diffusion barrier  
 (method of growing elec. conductive thin films for electronics applications)

IT **Atomic layer epitaxy**  
 (oxide film formed by; method of growing elec. conductive thin films for electronics applications)

IT **7782-44-7, Oxygen, processes 10028-15-6, Ozone, processes**  
 RL: CPS (Chemical process); NUU (Other use, unclassified); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
 (epitaxy oxidant; method of growing elec. conductive thin films for electronics applications)

IT 1301-96-8, Silver oxide (AgO) 1303-58-8, Gold oxide (Au2O3) 1307-96-6, Cobalt oxide (CoO), uses 1308-06-1, Cobalt oxide (Co3O4) 1313-99-1, Nickel oxide (NiO), uses 1314-08-5, Palladium oxide (PdO) 1314-15-4, Platinum oxide (PtO2) 1314-28-9, Rhenium oxide (ReO3) 1317-38-0, Cupric oxide, uses 1317-39-1, Cuprous oxide, uses 12030-49-8, Iridium oxide (IrO2) 12036-02-1, Osmium oxide (OsO2) 12036-09-8, Rhenium oxide (ReO2) 12036-10-1, Ruthenium oxide (RuO2) **12036-35-0**, Rhodium oxide (Rh2O3) **12137-27-8**, Rhodium oxide (RhO2) 12165-05-8, Rhenium oxide (Re2O5) 20667-12-3, Silver oxide (Ag2O)  
 RL: TEM (Technical or engineered material use); USES (Uses)  
 (method of growing elec. conductive thin films for electronics applications)

L17 ANSWER 3 OF 3 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2002:674490 HCAPLUS  
 TI Process for the formation of RuSixOy-containing barrier layers for high-k dielectrics  
 IN Marsh, Eugene P.  
 PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE  
 PI US 2002121697 A1 20020905 US 2002-136771 20020430  
 US 2002187632 A1 20021212 US 2002-215991 20020809  
 US 2002190276 A1 20021219 US 2002-215990 20020809  
 PRAI US 2000-651620 20000830  
 AB The present invention pertains to diffusion barrier layers for semiconductor devices. The method for use in the fabrication of integrated circuits includes providing a substrate assembly having a surface. A diffusion barrier layer is formed over at least a portion of the surface. The diffusion barrier layer is formed of RuSixOy, where x and y are in the range of .apprx.0.01 to .apprx.10. The barrier layer may be formed by depositing RuSixOy by CVD, atomic layer deposition, or phys. vapor deposition or the barrier layer may be formed by forming a layer of Ru or Ru oxide over a Si-containing region and performing an anneal to form RuSixOy from the layer of Ru and Si from the adjacent Si-containing region. Capacitor electrodes, interconnects or other structures may be formed with such a diffusion barrier layer. Semiconductor structures and devices can be formed to include diffusion barrier layers formed of RuSixOy.  
 IC ICM H01L023-48  
 NCL 257751000  
 IT Annealing  
     **Atomic layer epitaxy**  
     **Capacitor electrodes**  
     Diffusion barrier  
     Electric contacts  
     Integrated circuits  
     Interconnections, electric  
     Semiconductor device fabrication  
     (process for formation of RuSixOy-containing barrier layers for high-k dielects.)  
 IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-04-2, Osmium, uses 7440-05-3, Palladium, uses 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses 7440-16-6, Rhodium, uses 7440-18-8, Ruthenium, uses 7440-33-7, Tungsten, uses 12030-49-8, Iridium oxide (IrO2) 12033-62-4, Tantalum nitride (TaN) 12036-02-1, Osmium oxide (OsO2) 12036-10-1, Ruthenium oxide (RuO2) 12058-38-7, Tungsten nitride (WN) 12137-27-8, Rhodium oxide (RhO2) 18868-43-4, Molybdenum oxide (MoO2) 187749-47-9, Ruthenium silicon oxide  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)  
     (process for formation of RuSixOy-containing barrier layers for high-k dielects.)

L19 ANSWER 1 OF 1 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
AN 1999:384347 HCAPLUS  
TI Retardation of O diffusion through polycrystalline Pt by Be doping  
AU Stumpf, Roland; Liu, Chun-Li; Tracy, Clarence  
SO Physical Review B: Condensed Matter and Materials Physics (1999), 59(24),  
16047-16052  
CODEN: PRBMDO; ISSN: 0163-1829  
PB American Physical Society  
AB A serious problem preventing the use of high dielec. oxide materials  
(e.g., Ba-Sr-titanate) for capacitors as part of future dynamic random  
access memory is the oxidation of or the O diffusion through the electrodes.  
Pt electrodes do not oxidize, but they allow for rapid O diffusion through  
the Pt film while the dielec. is deposited and annealed. This causes  
unwanted oxidation below the Pt film. Using 1st-principles electronic  
structure calcs., the authors 1st determine the O diffusion mechanism in  
polycryst. Pt. O diffuses as interstitial O along the grain boundary (GB)  
that the authors study. The calculated barrier is compatible with the exptl.  
estimate. The authors screen nine elements for their potential to retard O  
diffusion if added to the Pt in small amts. Be is the most promising  
candidate. Be segregates to Pt GB's at interstitial and substitutional  
sites. As GB interstitial Be diffuses at a rate comparable to that of O  
and it repels O and this leads to a stuffing of the GB. As  
substitutionally absorbed Be, Be has a high diffusion barrier, and it  
forms strong bonds to O and thus O is trapped in the GB. Preliminary  
exptl. results confirm the authors' theor. predictions.  
IT **Capacitor electrodes**  
IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7439-95-4, Magnesium, uses 7440-16-6,  
Rhodium, uses 7440-25-7, Tantalum, uses 7440-32-6, Titanium, uses  
7440-42-8, Boron, uses 7440-50-8, Copper, uses 7440-62-2, Vanadium,  
uses  
RL: MOA (Modifier or additive use); USES (Uses)  
(retardation of oxygen diffusion through polycryst. platinum capacitor  
electrodes by doping)



L27 ANSWER 1 OF 2 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2004:182442 HCAPLUS DN 140:227401  
 TI Platinum stuffed with silicon oxide as a diffusion oxygen barrier for semiconductor devices  
 IN Marsh, Eugene P.  
 PA Micron Technologies, Inc., USA  
 IC ICM H01L021-20  
 NCL 438396000  
 CC 76-3 (Electric Phenomena)  
 PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE  
 PI US 2004043578 A1 20040304 US 2002-230605 20020829 X FYI  
 US 2002-230605 20020829  
 AB The present invention provides techniques to fabricate high dielec. MIM storage cell capacitors for dense memory cell arrays. In 1 embodiment, this is accomplished by forming a Si contact is then formed to elec. connect the formed bottom electrode layer in the container with the  $\geq 1$  associated transistor device. A Ti nitride barrier layer is then formed over the Si contact. An O barrier layer including Pt stuffed with Si oxide is then formed over the Ti nitride layer and below the bottom electrode layer. A bottom electrode layer is then formed using Pt over interior surfaces of a container formed relative to at least 1 associated transistor device on a Si substrate. Further, a high dielec. insulator layer is formed over the bottom electrode layer. A top electrode layer is then formed over the high dielec. insulator layer.  
 IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (chemical, **atomic layer**; platinum stuffed with silicon oxide as a diffusion oxygen barrier for semiconductor devices)  
 IT Diffusion barrier  
 (oxygen; platinum stuffed with silicon oxide as a diffusion oxygen barrier for semiconductor devices)  
 IT Vapor deposition process  
 (phys.; platinum stuffed with silicon oxide as a diffusion oxygen barrier for semiconductor devices)  
 IT Annealing  
 Capacitor electrodes  
 MIM capacitors  
 Semiconductor device fabrication  
 Semiconductor memory devices  
 IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses **7440-16-6**, Rhodium, uses  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)  
 (**capacitor** electrode; platinum stuffed with silicon oxide as a diffusion oxygen barrier for semiconductor devices)

L27 ANSWER 2 OF 2 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

AN 2004:162402 HCAPLUS DN 140:227207

TI Enhanced **atomic layer deposition**

IN Meng, Shuang; Derderian, Garo J.; Sandhu, Gurtej Singh

PA USA

IC ICM H01L021-44

NCL 438656000

CC 76-3 (Electric Phenomena)

Section cross-reference(s): 75

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
PI US 2004038525	A1	20040226	US 2002-229338	20020826
			US 2002-229338	20020826

AB A method of enhanced **atomic layer deposition** is described. In an embodiment, the enhancement is the use of plasma. Plasma begins prior to flowing a 2nd precursor into the chamber. The 2nd precursor reacts with a prior precursor to deposit a layer on the substrate. In an embodiment, the layer includes at least one element from each of the 1st and 2nd precursors. In an embodiment, the layer is TaN. In an embodiment, the precursors are TaF5 and NH3. In an embodiment, the plasma begins during the purge gas flow between the pulse of 1st precursor and the pulse of 2nd precursor. In an embodiment, the enhancement is thermal energy. In an embodiment, the thermal energy is greater than generally accepted for **ALD** (>300°). The enhancement assists the reaction of the precursors to deposit a layer on a substrate.

ST **atomic layer deposition**

IT Vapor **deposition** process

(**atomic layer deposition**; enhanced  
**atomic layer deposition** for forming barrier  
layer in integrated circuit device)

IT Process control

(computerized; of enhanced **atomic layer  
deposition**)

IT Integrated circuits

(enhanced **atomic layer deposition** for  
forming barrier layer in integrated circuit device)

IT Memory devices

(having dielec. layer between two electrodes and **atomic  
layer deposited** TaN barrier layer)

IT Capacitors

(integrated circuit; integrated circuit capacitors having dielec. layer  
between two electrodes and **atomic layer  
deposited** TaN barrier layer)

IT 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses **7440-16-6**, Rhodium, uses

RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)

(electrodes; integrated circuit **capacitors** having dielec.  
layer between two electrodes and **atomic layer  
deposited** TaN barrier layer)

IT 12033-62-4, Tantalum nitride (TaN)

RL: DEV (Device component use); FMU (Formation, unclassified); PEP  
(Physical, engineering or chemical process); PYP (Physical process); FORM  
(Formation, nonpreparative); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
(**films**; enhanced **atomic layer  
deposition** for forming barrier layer in integrated circuit  
device)

L33 ANSWER 1 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2004:182108 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 140:227341  
 TI Metal plating using seed film in semiconductor applications  
 IN Marsh, Eugene P.  
 PA Micron Technology, Inc., USA  
 PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE  
 PI US 2004041194 A1 20040304 US 2002-231435 20020829X  
 AB There is a need in the semiconductor art for creating uniform seed films for use in electroplating processes and the present invention is directed to an electroplating method for use in fabricating an integrated circuit, a method for plating, a method for use in fabricating a **capacitor**, a seed film for use in electroplating a conductive layer, and a **capacitor** for an integrated circuit. A seed film and methods incorporating the seed film in semiconductor applications is provided. The seed film includes one or more noble metal layers, where each layer of the one or more noble metal layers is no greater than a monolayer. The seed film also includes either one or more conductive metal oxide layers or one or more Si oxide layers, where either layer is no greater than a monolayer. The seed film can be used in plating, including electroplating, conductive layers, over at least a portion of the seed film. Conductive layers formed with the seed film can be used in fabricating an integrated circuit, including fabricating **capacitor** structures in the integrated circuit.

IC ICM H01L021-20  
 NCL 257306000; 438396000  
 CC 76-3 (Electric Phenomena)  
 Section cross-reference(s): 48, 72  
 IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (chemical, **atomic-layer deposition**; metal  
 plating using seed film in semiconductor device fabrication)

IT **Capacitors**  
 Electrodeposition  
 Integrated circuits  
 Oxidation  
 Semiconductor device fabrication  
 (metal plating using seed film in semiconductor device fabrication)

IT 1590-87-0, Silicon hydride (Si<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>) 12192-97-1, Dicarboxyl(η<sup>5</sup>-cyclopentadienyl)**rhodium** 52438-26-3  
 RL: CPS (Chemical process); NUU (Other use, unclassified); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
 (metal plating using seed film in semiconductor device fabrication)

IT 7439-88-5P, Iridium, processes 7440-16-6P, **Rhodium**, processes  
 7440-18-8P, Ruthenium, processes 11107-71-4P 11113-84-1P, Ruthenium  
 oxide 12645-46-4P, Iridium oxide  
 RL: PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PYP (Physical process); SPN (Synthetic preparation); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); PREP (Preparation); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
 (metal plating using seed film in semiconductor device fabrication)

IT 7631-86-9P, Silicon diOxide, processes 12680-36-3P, **Rhodium**  
 oxide  
 RL: PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PYP (Physical process); SPN (Synthetic preparation); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); PREP (Preparation); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
 (platinum doped; metal plating using seed film in semiconductor device fabrication)

L33 ANSWER 2 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2004:80414 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 140:137734  
 TI **Atomic layer deposition** of high k dielectric films  
 IN Lee, Sang-in; Senzaki, Yoshihide  
 PA ASML US, Inc., USA

	PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
PI	WO 2004008827	A2	20040129	WO 2003-US22712	20030721

PRAI US 2002-PV396723 20020719

US 2002-PV396745 20020719

AB The present invention relates to a process to form high dielec. constant gate and **capacitor** insulators using **atomic layer deposition** and a removal processes. The method of processing a semiconductor substrate includes reacting in a reactor a 1st reactant gas, evacuating the 1st reactant gas from the reactor, reacting a 2nd reactant gas, and evacuating the 2nd reactant gas. The reacting of the 1st reactant gas reacts the 1st reactant gas with an exposed surface of the semiconductor substrate in a reactor to convert the exposed surface into a solid mono-layer. The reacting of the 2nd reactant gas reacts the 2nd reactant gas with the solid mono-layer in the reactor to convert the solid mono-layer into a gaseous compound. The evacuating of the 2nd reactant gas also evacuates the gaseous compound from the reactor.

IT Dielectric films

Diffusion barrier

Nitriding

(**atomic layer deposition** of high k dielec. films)

IT Vapor **deposition** process

(chemical, **atomic layer**; **atomic layer deposition** of high k dielec. films)

IT Water vapor

(vapor **deposition** process gas; **atomic layer deposition** of high k dielec. films)

IT 1306-38-3P, Ceria, uses 1314-23-4P, Zirconia, uses 1314-61-0P, Tantalum  
 1344-28-1P, Alumina, uses 12055-23-1P, Hafnium oxide (HfO<sub>2</sub>)  
 13463-67-7P, Titania, uses

RL: PNU (Preparation, unclassified); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); PREP (Preparation); USES (Uses)

(dielec. film; **atomic layer**

**deposition** of high k dielec. films)

IT 11113-84-1P, Ruthenium oxide 12033-62-4P, Tantalum nitride (TaN)

12058-38-7P, Tungsten nitride (WN) 12645-46-4P, Iridium oxide

12680-36-3P, **Rhodium** oxide 20816-12-0P, Osmium oxide

25583-20-4P, Titanium nitride (TiN) 53322-74-0P, Aluminum tantalum

nitride 113151-72-7P, Aluminum titanium nitride 118408-58-5P, Tungsten

nitride silicide (W(N,Si)) 209414-19-7P, Aluminum tungsten nitride

209530-51-8P, Titanium nitride silicide (TiNSi) 403852-89-1P, Tantalum

nitride silicide (TaNSi)

RL: PNU (Preparation, unclassified); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); PREP (Preparation); USES (Uses)

(diffusion barrier; **atomic layer deposition**

of high k dielec. films)

L33 ANSWER 3 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2003:1007432 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 140:51616  
 TI Process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2  
 IN Marsh, Eugene P.; Uhlenbrock, Stefan  
 PA USA

	PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
PI	US 2003233976	A1	20031225	US 2002-179946	20020625 <b>X</b>

AB The present invention relates generally to the field of semiconductor integrated circuits and, more particularly, to processes for forming thin films for use in such applications. The present invention provides methods of performing **atomic layer deposition** to form conductive, oxidation-resistant **Rh** oxide films and films comprising metals, such as Pt, alloyed with **Rh** oxide. The present invention also provides memory devices and processors comprising films deposited by the above methods.

IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (chemical, **atomic layer**; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT Films  
 (elec. conductive; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT Electric conductors  
 (films; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT Capacitor electrodes  
**Capacitors**  
 Integrated circuits  
 Semiconductor device fabrication  
 Semiconductor memory devices  
 (process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT Transition metal complexes  
 RL: RCT (Reactant); RACT (Reactant or reagent)  
 (**rhodium**, vapor deposition precursor; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-04-2, Osmium, uses 7440-05-3, Palladium, uses 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)  
 (conductive layer; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT 12137-27-8, **Rhodium** oxide (RhO2)  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)  
 (process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT 10028-15-6, Ozone, processes  
 RL: CPS (Chemical process); NUU (Other use, unclassified); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)  
 (vapor deposition oxidant; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

IT 12192-97-1, Dicarbonyl cyclopentadienyl **rhodium**  
 RL: RCT (Reactant); RACT (Reactant or reagent)  
 (vapor deposition precursor; process for direct **deposition of atomic layer deposited** RhO2)

L33 ANSWER 4 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2003:737321 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 139:253624  
 TI **Atomic layer deposition** methods for layers of aluminum-containing materials  
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PI US 2003176065	A1	20030918	US 2002-99624	20020314 <del>X</del>

AB The invention pertains to **atomic layer deposition** methods of Al-containing materials. An Al-containing material deposition method includes depositing a 1st precursor on a substrate in the substantial absence of a 2nd precursor. The 1st precursor can contain a chelate of  $\text{Al}(\text{NR}_1\text{R}_2)_x(\text{NR}_3(\text{CH}_2)\text{zNR}_4\text{R}_5)_y$  or  $\text{Al}(\text{NR}_1\text{R}_2)_x(\text{NR}_3(\text{CH}_2)\text{zOR}_4)_y$ ; where x is 0, 1, or 2; y = 3 - x; z is an integer from 2 to 8; and R1 to R5 are independently selected from among hydrocarbon groups containing 1-10 C atoms with Si optionally substituted for at least one C atom. The method includes depositing the 2nd precursor on the 1st deposited precursor, the 2nd precursor containing a N source or an oxidant. A deposition product of the 1st and 2nd precursors includes at least one of an Al nitride or an Al oxide. The deposition method can be **atomic layer deposition** where the 1st and 2nd precursors are chemisorbed or reacted as monolayers. The 1st precursor can further be non-pyrophoric.

IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (atomic layer; atomic layer  
 deposition methods for layers of aluminum-containing materials)

IT Dielectric films  
 (for capacitors; atomic layer  
 deposition methods for layers of aluminum-containing materials)

IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses 7440-16-6, Rhodium, uses 7440-21-3, Silicon, uses 7440-32-6, Titanium, uses 12033-62-4, Tantalum nitride (TaN) 25583-20-4, Titanium nitride (TiN) 52036-95-0, Titanium boride nitride 403852-89-1, Tantalum nitride silicide (TaNSi)  
 RL: TEM (Technical or engineered material use); USES (Uses)  
 (deposition surface; atomic layer  
 deposition methods for layers of aluminum-containing materials)

L33 ANSWER 5 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2003:717679 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 139:222653  
 TI Ferroelectric memory device using via etch-stop layer and method for manufacturing same  
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 PA Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., S. Korea  
 PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE  
 PI US 2003170919 A1 20030911 US 2003-354651 20030129 *X*  
 US 6713310 B2 20040330  
 JP 2003273328 A2 20030926 JP 2003-54627 20030228  
 PRAI KR 2002-12563 20020308  
 KR 2002-65610 20021025  
 AB A ferroelec. memory device and a method for manufacturing the same. The ferroelec. memory device comprises a lower interlayer insulating layer formed on a semiconductor substrate. The ferroelec. memory device further comprises at least two adjacent ferroelec. **capacitors** disposed on the lower interlayer insulating layer, an interlayer insulation layer formed over the ferroelec. **capacitors**, leaving a top surface of the ferroelec. **capacitors** exposed, a patterned via etch-stop layer formed on the interlayer insulation layer, leaving the top surface of the **capacitors** exposed, an upper interlayer insulating layer formed on the patterned via etch-stop layer, and a plate line commonly connected to the  $\geq 2$  adjacent ferroelec. **capacitors**. Thus, integration of the ferroelec. memory device can be substantially increased.  
 IC ICM H01L021-00  
 NCL 438003000; 257295000  
 CC 76-3 (Electric Phenomena)  
 IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (atomic layer **deposition**; ferroelec. memory device using via etch-stop layer and manufacture of same)  
 IT Dielectric films  
 Diffusion barrier  
 Electric insulators  
 Etching  
**Ferroelectric capacitors**  
 Ferroelectric memory devices  
 Interconnections, electric  
 (ferroelec. memory device using via etch-stop layer and manufacture of same)  
 IT 1344-28-1, Alumina, uses 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-04-2, Osmium, uses 7440-05-3, Palladium, uses 7440-06-4, Platinum, uses 7440-16-6, **Rhodium**, uses 7440-18-8, Ruthenium, uses 7440-32-6, Titanium, uses 7440-33-7, Tungsten, uses 11105-01-4, Silicon nitride oxide 12010-77-4, Bismuth titanium oxide (Bi<sub>4</sub>Ti<sub>3</sub>O<sub>12</sub>) 12030-49-8, Iridium oxide (IrO<sub>2</sub>) 12033-89-5, Silicon nitride, uses 12036-10-1, Ruthenium oxide (RuO<sub>2</sub>) 12047-27-7, Barium titanate (BaTiO<sub>3</sub>), uses 12060-59-2, Strontium titanate (SrTiO<sub>3</sub>) 12137-27-8, **Rhodium** oxide (RhO<sub>2</sub>) 12626-81-2, Lead titanium zirconium oxide (PbTiO<sub>3</sub>-1ZrO<sub>3</sub>)  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)  
 (ferroelec. memory device using via etch-stop layer and manufacture of same)

L33 ANSWER 6 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN  
 AN 2003:628147 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 139:158804  
 TI Conformal deposition of noble metal **layers** by **atomic layer deposition** and their application  
 IN Aaltonen, Titta; Alen, Petra; Ritala, Mikko; Leskela, Markku  
 PA ASM Microchemistry OY, Finland  
 PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE  
 PI JP 2003226970 A2 20030815 JP 2003-19678 20030129  
 US 2003165615 A1 20030904 US 2002-66315 20020129  
 PRAI US 2002-66315 20020129X  
 AB In the process, gaseous noble metal precursors are transported near to substrates in reactors by pulsed charging to form  $\leq 1$ -layer single mol. layers and then reacted with mol. O(g) whose sources (e.g., H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) are also pulsed charged into the reactors to afford noble metal layers useful for **capacitor** electrodes of integrated circuits, nonmagnetic interlayers of ultrahigh-d. magnetic disks, etc. The precursors may be metallocenes or  $\beta$ -diketonates. The substrates may be coated with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or TiO<sub>2</sub> thin films (of thickness 10-20 Å) as seed layers.  
 ST **atomic layer deposition** ruthenium **capacitor** electrode; ruthenocene sourced ruthenium conformal deposition **ALD**; magnetic disk nonmagnetic interlayer platinum **ALD**  
 IT Vapor **deposition** process  
 (atomic layer; conformal **deposition** of high-quality noble metal **layers** by **atomic layer deposition** using metallocene or diketonate sources)  
 IT **Capacitor electrodes**  
 Integrated circuits  
 (conformal deposition of high-quality noble metal **layers** by **atomic layer deposition** using metallocene or diketonate sources)  
 IT 7439-88-5, Iridium, uses 7440-04-2, Osmium, uses 7440-05-3, Palladium, uses 7440-15-5, Rhenium, uses 7440-16-6, **Rhodium**, uses 7440-22-4, Silver, uses 7440-57-5, Gold, uses  
 RL: DEV (Device component use); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); USES (Uses)  
 (conformal deposition of high-quality noble metal **layers** by **atomic layer deposition** using metallocene or diketonate sources)  
 IT 1287-13-4, Dicyclopentadienylruthenium 7722-84-1, Hydrogen peroxide, processes 7782-44-7, Oxygen, processes 10024-97-2, Nitrogen oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), processes 38625-54-6, Tris(2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-3,5-heptanedionato)ruthenium(III) 94442-22-5, (Trimethyl)methylcyclopentadienylplatinum 250242-94-5, Bis(2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-3,5-heptanedionato)ruthenium(II)  
 RL: CPS (Chemical process); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process)  
 (source; conformal deposition of high-quality noble metal **layers** by **atomic layer deposition** using metallocene or diketonate sources)



L33 ANSWER 7 OF 7 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

AN 2002:155022 HCAPLUS Full-textDN 136:192063

TI Precursor source-material mixture, method for film deposition, and formation of structure

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PATENT NO. KIND DATE APPLICATION NO. DATE

PI JP 2002060944 A2 20020228 JP 2001-122174 20010420

PRAI US 2000-553997 20000420

AB A precursor source-material mixture useful for CVD or **ALD** comprises a solution, suspension, or emulsion of an inert liquid containing  $MR_1xR_2yAz$ , where M = Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, Fr, Be, Mg, Ti, Zr, Hf, Sc, Y, La, V, Nb, Ta, Cr, Mo, W, Mn, Re, Fe, Ru, Os, CO, **Rh**, Ir, Ni, Pd, Pt, Cu, Ag, Au, Zn, Cd, Hg, B, Al, Ga, In, Tl, Si, Ge, Sn, Pb, As, P, Sb, or Bi, R1, R2 = ligand such as (substituted)alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, aryl, alkyne, carbonyl, amide, imide, hydrazide, P compound, nitrosyl, nitryl, nitrate, nitrile, halide, azide, alkoxy, siloxy, or silyl, A = ligand such as phosphine, phosphite, amine, arsine, stibine, ether, sulfide, nitryl, isonitrile, alkene, hydrazine, pyridine, N heterocyclic compound, large cyclic mol., Schiff base, cycloalkene, alc., phosphine oxide, alkylidene, nitrite, alkyne, or H<sub>2</sub>O,  $x \geq 1$ ,  $x + y = \text{valency of M}$ , and  $z \geq 0$ . A method is also described, for forming a structure such as a wiring structure, a **capacitor**, or a FET using the above mixture

IT **Capacitors**

Field effect transistors

Interconnections, electric

Vapor deposition process

(precursor source-material mixture, method for CVD or **ALD** film deposition, and formation of structure)

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DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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6937878 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2001-07-2860F-005

Title: Novel electrode barriers for high density ferroelectric nonvolatile memories

Author(s): Desu, S.B.; Vedula, R.; Bhatt, H.D.; Hwang, Y.S.; Zhang, X.

Journal: Physica Status Solidi A vol.184, no.2 p.273-89

Publisher: Wiley-VCH,

Publication Date: 16 April 2001 Country of Publication: Germany

CODEN: PSSABA ISSN: 0031-8965

Abstract: We propose a new electrode-barrier structure for direct integration of lead zirconate titanate (PZT) based **capacitors** onto a polysilicon plug for high density FRAM applications. The electrode-barrier structure is based on noble metal alloys (e.g. Pt-Rh, Pt-Ir, Pt-Ru) and their oxides (e.g. PtRhO/sub x/) which satisfy the needs for an excellent diffusion barrier as well as a high conducting electrode. It has been found that the PtRhO/sub x//PtRh/PtRhO/sub x/ electrode-barrier structure acts as a very good bottom electrode on poly-silicon plug. The bottom PtRhOx layer has shown excellent diffusion barrier properties for lead, oxygen and silicon up to processing temperatures of 700 degrees C as established by Auger electron spectroscopy and Rutherford backscattering spectroscopy studies. The electrode barriers showed no hillock formation and PZT films deposited on this structure crystallized predominantly in the perovskite phase. The **capacitors** exhibited very good hysteresis properties with remnant polarization ( $P_r$ ) of  $16 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$ , a coercive field ( $E_c$ ) of 32 kV/cm, extremely low fatigue (after  $1 \times 10^{10}$  cycles) of 3-4%, imprint (after  $3.3 \times 10^9$  cycles) of 8-12%, retention (after  $1 \times 10^5$  s) of 2-3% and leakage current density (at 100 kV/cm) less than  $10^{-8} \text{ A}/\text{cm}^2$ . These electrode barriers hold excellent promise for applications in high density FRAM capacitor over bit line (COB) structure. (26 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: Auger electron spectra; dielectric hysteresis; dielectric polarisation; diffusion barriers; electrodes; ferroelectric **capacitors**; ferroelectric ceramics; ferroelectric storage; lead compounds; leakage currents; platinum alloys; platinum compounds; rhodium alloys; rhodium compounds; Rutherford backscattering

Identifiers: high density ferroelectric nonvolatile memories; electrode-barrier structure; lead zirconate titanate based **capacitors**; PZT based **capacitors**; polysilicon plug bottom electrode; high density FRAM applications; noble metal alloys; noble metal alloy oxides; diffusion barrier properties; high conducting electrode; PtRhO/sub x//PtRh/PtRhO/sub x/ electrode-barrier structure; Auger electron spectroscopy; Rutherford backscattering spectroscopy studies; perovskite phase crystallized PZT films; hysteresis properties; remnant polarization; coercive field; low fatigue; imprint; retention; leakage current density; high density FRAM capacitor over bit line structure; PZT; Si; PtRhO-PtRh-PtRhO; PbZrO<sub>3</sub>TiO<sub>3</sub>

Class Codes: B2860F (Ferroelectric devices); B1265D (Memory circuits); B2130 (Capacitors); B2530D (Semiconductor-metal interfaces)

Chemical Indexing:

PtRhO-PtRh-PtRhO int - PtRhO int - PtRh int - Pt int - Rh int - O int - PtRhO ss - Pt ss - Rh ss - O ss - PtRh bin - Pt bin - Rh bin

(Elements - 3,2,3,3)

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6382773 INSPEC Abstract Number: A1999-23-7780D-001, B1999-12-2810F-002

Title: Low temperature processed 0.7SrBi/sub 2/Ta/sub 2/O/sub 9/-0.3Bi/sub 3/TaTiO/sub 9/ thin films fabricated on multilayer electrode-barrier structure for high-density ferroelectric memories

Author(s): Ryu, S.O.; Joshi, P.C.; Desu, S.B.

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Publication Date: 4 Oct. 1999 Country of Publication: USA

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Document Number: S0003-6951(99)01240-1

Abstract: Thin films of solid-solution material 0.7SrBi/sub 2/Ta/sub 2/O/sub 9/-0.3Bi/sub 3/TaTiO/sub 9/ (0.7SBT-0.3BTT) were fabricated on n/sup +/-polycrystalline (n/sup +/-poly) Si substrates by a metalorganic solution deposition technique at a low processing temperature of 650 degrees C using a Pt-Rh/Pt-Rh-O/sub x/ electrode-barrier structure. The Pt-Rh/Pt-Rh-O/sub x/ structure was deposited using an in situ reactive radio frequency sputtering process. The electrodes had a smooth and fine-grained microstructure and were excellent diffusion barriers between the 0.7SBT-0.3BTT thin film and Si substrate. The ferroelectric (0.7SBT-0.3BTT) test **capacitors** using these electrode-barrier grown directly on Si showed good ferroelectric hysteresis properties, measured through n/sup +/-poly Si substrate, with 2P/sub r/ and E/sub c/ values of 11.5 mu C/cm/sup 2/ and 80 kV/cm, respectively, at an applied electric field of 200 kV/cm. The films exhibited good fatigue characteristics (<10% decay) under bipolar stressing up to 10/sup 11/ switching cycles and the leakage current density was lower 10/sup -7/ A/cm/sup 2/ at an applied electric field of 200 kV/cm. The good ferroelectric properties of 0.7SBT-0.3BTT solid-solution thin films at a low processing temperature of 650 degrees C and excellent electrode-diffusion barrier properties of a Pt-Rh/Pt-Rh-O/sub x/ structure are encouraging for the realization of high-density nonvolatile ferroelectric random access memories on silicon substrates. (10 Refs)

Class Codes: A7780D (Ferroelectric domain structure and effects; hysteresis); A7755 (Dielectric thin films); A6855 (Thin film growth, structure, and epitaxy); A8115L (Deposition from liquid phases (melts and solutions)); A6822 (Surface diffusion, segregation and interfacial compound formation); A7780F (Ferroelectric switching phenomena); B2810F (Piezoelectric and ferroelectric materials); B1265D (Memory circuits); B2860F (Ferroelectric devices); B0520J (Deposition from liquid phases)

Chemical Indexing:

SrBi2Ta2O9Bi3TaTiO9 ss - Bi2 ss - Bi3 ss - Ta2 ss - Bi ss - O9 ss - Sr ss - Ta ss - Ti ss - O ss (Elements - 5)

PtRh-PtRhO int - PtRhO int - PtRh int - Pt int - Rh int - O int - PtRhO ss - Pt ss - **Rh ss** - O ss - PtRh bin - Pt bin - Rh bin (Elements - 2,3,3)

Si sur - Si el (Elements - 1)

Numerical Indexing: temperature 9.23E+02 to 9.73E+02 K

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6018772 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9810-2860-016

Title: High temperature barrier electrode technology for high density ferroelectric memories with stacked capacitor structure

Author(s): Onishi, S.; Nagata, M.; Mitarai, S.; Ito, Y.; Kudo, J.; Sakiyama, K.; Desu, S.B.; Bhatt, H.D.; Vijay, D.P.; Hwang, Y.

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CODEN: JESOAN ISSN: 0013-4651

Abstract: This paper describes the novel stacked electrode structure,  $\text{PtRhO}/\text{sub } x//\text{PtRh}/\text{PtRhO}/\text{sub } x/$ , applicable to stacked memory cells in advanced ferroelectric memories. This structure acts as a stable bottom electrode and a barrier on a polysilicon plug up to 700 degrees C and a stable contact resistance of 1.5 K  $\Omega$  is obtained at the contact size of 0.6  $\mu\text{m}$ . In addition to the low leakage current of a lead zirconate titanate [ $\text{PZT}$ ,  $\text{Pb}(\text{Zr}/\text{sub } 0.52/\text{Ti}/\text{sub } 0.48)/\text{O}/\text{sub } 3/$ ] capacitor ( $10/\text{sup } -8/\text{A}/\text{cm}/\text{sup } 2/$  at 3 V), degradation properties of fatigue and imprint are improved compared with conventional Pt electrodes. The decrease of the switched charge is restricted to less than 10% after the fatigue cycle of  $10/\text{sup } 11/$ . These results indicate its promise as a barrier electrode structure for advanced ferroelectric memory integration. (15 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: contact resistance; ferroelectric **capacitors**; ferroelectric storage; leakage currents; platinum alloys; platinum compounds; rhodium alloys; rhodium compounds; vacancies (crystal

Identifiers: high density ferroelectric memories; stacked capacitor structure; high temperature barrier electrode; polysilicon plug; contact resistance; leakage current; fatigue cycle;  $\text{PtRhO}/\text{sub } x//\text{PtRh}/\text{PtRhO}/\text{sub } x/$ ;  $\text{PtRhO}-\text{PtRh}-\text{PtRhO}$ ;  $\text{PZT}$ ; Si;  $\text{PbZrO}_3\text{TiO}_3$

Class Codes: B2860 (Piezoelectric and ferroelectric devices); B1265D (Memory circuits); B2130 (Capacitors)

Chemical Indexing:

$\text{PtRhO}-\text{PtRh}-\text{PtRhO}$  int -  $\text{PtRhO}$  int -  $\text{PtRh}$  int - Pt int - Rh int - O int -  $\text{PtRhO}$  ss - Pt ss - **Rh ss** - O ss -  $\text{PtRh}$  bin - Pt bin - Rh bin

(Elements - 3,2,3,3)

$\text{PbZrO}_3\text{TiO}_3$  int -  $\text{TiO}_3$  int -  $\text{ZrO}_3$  int -  $\text{O}_3$  int - Pb int - Ti int - Zr int - O int -  $\text{PbZrO}_3\text{TiO}_3$  ss -  $\text{TiO}_3$  ss -  $\text{ZrO}_3$  ss -  $\text{O}_3$  ss - Pb ss - Ti ss - Zr ss - O ss (Elements - 4)

Si int - Si el (Elements - 1)

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DIALOG(R) File 2:INSPEC

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5659463 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9709-2860-023

Title: Novel high temperature multilayer electrode-barrier structure for high-density ferroelectric memories

Author(s): Bhatt, H.D.; Desu, S.B.; Vijay, D.P.; Hwang, Y.S.; Zhang, X.; Nagata, M.; Grill, A.

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Abstract: Large scale integration of nonvolatile ferroelectric memories requires reduction in the memory cell size, which dictates the electrode of the capacitor to be in direct electrical contact with the source/drain of the transistor. This has been accomplished in the past using four/five separate electrode- and diffusion-barrier layers. In this letter, we report a novel Pt-Rh-O/sub x//Pt-Rh/Pt-Rh-O/sub x/ electrode-barrier structure which acts as an electrode as well as a diffusion barrier for integration of the ferroelectric **capacitors** directly onto silicon deposited using an in situ reactive rf sputtering process. The electrodes have a smooth and fine grained microstructure and are excellent diffusion barriers between the PbZr/sub 0.53/Ti/sub 0.47/O/sub 3/ (PZT) and Si substrate and exhibit good thermal stability up to very high processing temperatures of 700 degrees C. The ferroelectric (PZT) test **capacitors** using these electrode barriers grown directly on Si, show well saturated hysteresis loops with P/sub r/ and E/sub c/ of 16 mu C/cm/sup 2/ and 30-40 kV/cm, respectively. The **capacitors** exhibit no significant fatigue loss (<5%) up to 10/sup 11/ cycles and have low leakage currents (2\*10/sup -8/ A/cm/sup 2/ at 100 kV/cm). These electrode barriers can be used to directly integrate the thin film **capacitors** on the source/drain of the transistors of the memory cell structure for accomplishing large scale integration. (9 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: crystal microstructure; dielectric hysteresis; diffusion barriers; DRAM chips; electrodes; elemental semiconductors; ferroelectric **capacitors**; ferroelectric materials; ferroelectric storage; large scale integration; lead compounds; leakage currents; platinum alloys; platinum compounds; rhodium alloys; rhodium compounds; silicon; sputter deposition; thermal stability; thin film **capacitors**

Chemical Indexing:

PbZrO3TiO3-PtRhO-PtRh-PtRhO-Si int - PbZrO3TiO3 int - PtRhO int - PtRh int - TiO3 int - ZrO3 int - O3 int - Pb int - Pt int - Rh int - Si int - Ti int - Zr int - O int - PbZrO3TiO3 ss - PtRhO ss - TiO3 ss - ZrO3 ss - O3 ss - Pb ss - Pt ss - **Rh ss** - Ti ss - Zr ss - O ss - PtRh bin - Pt bin - Rh bin - Si el (Elements - 4,3,2,3,1,7)

PbZr0.53Ti0.47O3 int - Ti0.47 int - Zr0.53 int - O3 int - Pb int - Ti int - Zr int - O int - PbZr0.53Ti0.47O3 ss - Ti0.47 ss - Zr0.53 ss - O3 ss - Pb ss - Ti ss - Zr ss - O ss (Elements - 4)

Numerical Indexing: temperature 9.73E+02 K

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5545807 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9705-2860-012

Title: A new high temperature electrode-barrier technology on high density ferroelectric capacitor structure

Author(s): Onishi, S.; Nagata, M.; Mitarai, S.; Ito, Y.; Kudo, J.; Sakiyama, K.; Desu, S.B.; Bhatt, H.D.; Vijay, D.P.; Hwang, Y.

Conference Title: International Electron Devices Meeting. Technical Digest (Cat. No.96CH35961) p.699-702

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Abstract: This paper describes the novel stacked electrode structure, PtRhOx/PtRh/PtRhOx, applicable to stacked memory cells in the advanced ferroelectric memories. This structure acts as a stable bottom electrode on the polysilicon plug up to 700 degrees C, and reduces fatigue of PZT capacitor (less than 10% decrease in remanent polarization up to 10/sup 10/cycle), which indicates its promise as an electrode structure for advanced ferroelectric memory integration. (8 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: electrodes; ferroelectric **capacitors**; ferroelectric storage

Identifiers: high temperature electrode barrier; ferroelectric capacitor; PtRhOx/PtRh/PtRhOx stacked electrode; ferroelectric memory; bottom electrode; polysilicon plug; fatigue; remanent polarization; 700 C; PZT; PtRhO-PtRh-PtRhO; PbZrO3TiO3

Class Codes: B2860 (Piezoelectric and ferroelectric devices); B2130 (Capacitors); B1265D (Memory circuits)

Chemical Indexing:

PbZrO3TiO3 ss - TiO3 ss - ZrO3 ss - O3 ss - Pb ss - Ti ss - Zr ss - O ss (Elements - 4)

PtRhO-PtRh-PtRhO int - PtRhO int - PtRh int - Pt int - Rh int - O int - PtRhO ss - Pt ss - **Rh ss** - O ss - PtRh bin - Pt bin - Rh bin (Elements - 3,2,3,3)

Numerical Indexing: temperature 9.73E+02 K

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